

HONORING MARVIN TEER, SR.

**HON. WM. LACY CLAY**

OF MISSOURI

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

*Wednesday, June 16, 2010*

Mr. CLAY. Madam Speaker, I rise today to honor Mr. Marvin Teer, Sr., a valued member of the St. Louis community. Mr. Teer passed away on May 27, 2010, at the age of 93. His efforts greatly enriched the city of St. Louis, and his legacy will continue to inspire his residents for years to come.

Mr. Teer grew up against a backdrop of adversity and racial tension. He was born in Meridian, Mississippi, and at the tender age of 5, his family suffered the tragic loss of Mr. Teer's uncle, who was lynched. Mr. Teer's parents moved the family to East St. Louis in search of new opportunities for themselves and their children. Mr. Teer took full advantage of those opportunities, graduating from Lincoln Senior High School and going on to earn his bachelor's degree in education and two master's degrees, one in education and another in administration.

In World War II, he fought courageously in the Army, which was at that time segregated. He rose to the rank of Staff Sergeant, where he worked to secure equal resources and equal respect for his fellow black soldiers.

Mr. Teer returned to St. Louis in 1946 to teach history and urban studies at Lincoln Senior High School and later Vashon High School. Being a dedicated teacher, he shared his knowledge and energy with students for a full 30 years.

Mr. Teer had a passion for working to improve St. Louis, and that commitment to his city extended far beyond his position as a teacher. Mr. Teer participated in a diverse array of city organizations, including the Metropolitan Youth Commission, the St. Louis Board of Equalization, the Board of Building Appeals, and the St. Louis Area Agency on Aging.

Upon his retirement, Mr. Teer directed his enthusiasm for serving his community toward the goal of providing transportation to the seniors of St. Louis. He co-founded Available Citywide Transportation, which grew from one van to a fleet of 43 under his watch.

Madam Speaker, I am honored to pay tribute to Mr. Teer, a citizen whose commitment to his community was a testament to Missouri and to America. I urge my colleagues to join me in honoring Mr. Marvin Teer, Sr.

HONORING THE LIFE OF ANTHONY  
"LITTLE BENNY" HARLEY**HON. ELEANOR HOLMES NORTON**

OF THE DISTRICT OF COLUMBIA

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

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Ms. NORTON. Madam Speaker, the District of Columbia gathered on June 11, 2010, in a great hall of the Walter E. Washington Convention Center to honor one of our own, out of S.E. and Ballou Senior High School, Anthony "Little Benny" Harley, for his distinctive contributions to our musical identity as a city. We gathered to celebrate our native son, whose magnificent trumpet brought joy to the world and acclaim to the District of Columbia.

Little Benny became the living proof that a godfather could have godsons, when Little Benny showed the world that go-go music was no one-man passing fad—from the time Little Benny listened and learned from the go-go Godfather himself, Chuck Brown, to the day Little Benny died after performing alongside the Godfather.

Few cities produce musical talent so deep that it comes to symbolize the town itself. Motown did that for Detroit. Go-go has done that for D.C. Little Benny's sound kept us from having "Government Town" plastered on our backs. His funk was the musical background for our fight for our vote and for statehood and against the autocrats in Congress who try to step on D.C. and on our rights. Little Benny's non-stop funk, his beat, and his chants said "Don't Mess with D.C." better than anything I could ever say on the floor of the House of Representatives. All too prematurely, Little Benny now joins our city's own hall of fame for musical geniuses, who have put D.C. on the musical map, from Duke Ellington to Sam Cook. Music comes and music goes, fast, but Little Benny has helped carve out a special brand of funk that distinguishes him and his hometown alike. We want Little Benny to rest in peace, but his sound will keep us all moving to his never ending beat.

PROTECTING CYBERSPACE AS A  
NATIONAL ASSET ACT OF 2010**HON. JANE HARMAN**

OF CALIFORNIA

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

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Ms. HARMAN. Madam Speaker, the stark image on millions of television screens around the world is of a broken pipe one mile underwater, spewing tens of thousands of gallons of oil into the ocean each day.

This deadly and disturbing horror could be replicated should we have a major cyber attack—broken networks spewing tens of thousands of terabytes of information about critical infrastructure, national security, mission-critical data and personal financial records.

Indeed, damage caused by the worst environmental disaster in U.S. history could pale in comparison to the chaos that could ensue after a major cyber attack.

So today, Madam Speaker, I am pleased to introduce with Rep. PETER KING the companion bill to S. 3480, The Protecting Cyberspace as a National Asset Act of 2010. Authored by Senators LIEBERMAN, COLLINS and CARPER, S. 3480 was the subject of a legislative hearing yesterday in the Senate, and is moving there on a fast track.

In the words of former Assistant Secretary of Homeland Security for Policy Stewart Baker, "we are going to have a meltdown" if we fail to act to protect our cyber networks.

Right now we are chasing the problem. We need to get ahead of it. As described in the report released today by the Government Accountability Office—we face daunting challenges in tackling this problem, including: a lack of sustained leadership, insufficient resources, authority to enforce actions in the event of an imminent cyber attack, the need to partner with other federal agencies and private sector entities and insufficient education and training.

All of which this bill aims to correct.

First, the bill would establish a coordinating mechanism at the White House—an Office of Cyberspace Policy—to develop a national strategy for securing and improving the resiliency of cyberspace.

Second, it would create a National Center for Cybersecurity and Communications at the Department of Homeland Security to identify and mitigate cyber vulnerabilities. The Center would be charged with providing situational awareness, conducting risk-based assessments of threats, identifying vulnerabilities, managing external access points for federal networks, overseeing operations of US-CERT, and working with the private sector to establish security requirements to strengthen vital components of critical infrastructure like the electric grid and telecommunications networks.

Third, the key section of the bill provides the President with authority—in consultation with Congress—to impose emergency security measures on critical infrastructure networks in the event of a catastrophic cyber attack. Presently, this authority is ad hoc.

Fourth, this legislation requires development of a supply chain risk management strategy to address risks and threats to information technology products and services upon which the federal government relies.

Finally, the bill requires the new Department of Homeland Security Cybersecurity Office to consult with the Privacy & Civil Liberties Oversight Board mandated in the 2004 Intelligence Reform & Terrorism Prevention Act. Sadly, this Administration has yet to nominate individuals to serve on the Board. Additionally, the Director of the National Center for Cybersecurity and Communications is required to designate a privacy officer to review activities of the Center and conduct privacy impact assessments to ensure information is being collected in a manner that protects privacy and civil liberties of U.S. persons.

With strong leadership to implement it, this bill will plug the gaping hole in our cyberdefenses—while we have the chance to do so—and, hopefully, prevent another potential devastating disaster.

I urge its prompt enactment.

A TRIBUTE TO EVA SMITH  
MCQUILLAN**HON. EDOLPHUS TOWNS**

OF NEW YORK

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

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Mr. TOWNS. Madam Speaker, I rise today in recognition of Eva Smith McQuillan for her valuable contributions to her community.

Eva Smith McQuillan was born in Currie, North Carolina on July 11, 1915 to Alice and Richard Smith. She is the fourth of six children; Sadie, Sealy, James, Eva, Margaret and Edward. She was raised and educated in Wilmington, North Carolina and there she met and married Dawson McQuillan. Together they have two sons, Deck and Dawson.

In 1956, Eva decided to migrate northeast to New York. She and her family settled in Brooklyn and she found employment at B. Altman's Department Store in Manhattan. She began as a Gift Wrapper, moving up the ladder to finally become an Accounting Clerk in the Accounts Receivable Department until her